

Minutes of the Bloomington Township Board

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on June 9, 2016, at 2111 W. Vernal Pike.

Board members present were Vic Kelson, Barbara McKinney, and Kim Alexander. Also present were Trustee Lillian Henegar, Deputy Chief Joel Bomgardner and Deputy Trustee Lisa Myers.

AGENDA

Barb moved to accept the agenda as presented. Vic seconded, motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Barbara moved to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2016, board meeting as presented. Vic seconded, motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Secondary Employment Forms: Lisa explained that a secondary employment form has been submitted by Clay Edwards. Clay has started working for Wright's Landscaping since April when the Board reviewed the annual submission of secondary employment forms. Vic moved to accept the secondary employment form for Clay Edwards. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously. The form was signed by the Board President.

Conflict of Interest: Clay Edwards has begun working part time for Wright's Landscaping, who is a contractor for Bloomington Township. Wright's Landscaping was recently hired to repair damage caused by a water leak. Vic moved to accept the conflict of interest statement from Clay Edwards. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Transfer Resolution: Lillian reported on the need to transfer funds to the salary lines in order to create an IT position. Kelly Prill has been hired to work 20 hours per week, dividing his time between the Township Office and the Fire Department. Joel pointed out that Kelly had completed a review of our systems and equipment in 2014, at no cost, when he was helping us find an independent IT person. Lisa explained that the salary for the position will be divided, with one third (1/3) coming from the Township Fund and two thirds (2/3) coming from the Fire Fund. The salary will be split \$6,567.00 from the Fire Administration line and \$3,300.00 from the Township Temporary Hourly Worker line. Discussion ensued regarding which lines were being affected by the funds transfer. Vic moved to approve the Transfer Resolution. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Revised Salary Resolution: Lillian reported there are several upcoming personnel changes due to the planned retirement of Faron Livingston and the subsequent promotions necessary to fill the

vacancies. Effective July 1, Joel Bomgardner will be promoted to Fire Chief. If the Territory is approved, two people will eventually be promoted to Deputy Chief. Matt Bright has been chosen for the first Deputy Chief position, with David Calvin being promoted later in the year upon Territory approval from the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). Faron will retire at the end of November, but the promotion will take effect in July in order for Joel to spearhead the transition from Bloomington Township Fire Department to the Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Territory. Faron's new title will be Chief Transition Officer, and his salary will remain the same. Joel and Matt will both receive a pay increase. Vic moved to approve the revised Salary Resolution. Barbara seconded, motion passed unanimously.

August Meeting Date: The meeting schedule issued in January listed two possible dates for the August Board Meeting. DLGF has announced they will be in Bloomington from August 10 through August 12 to conduct budget workshops. In order to accommodate those dates, Lillian recommended that the Board should meet on August 18.

2017 Budget Prep: The budget calendar was distributed and discussed. Lisa confirmed there will be 26 pay periods in 2017.

2017 Fire Protection Contract(s): Lillian explained that we are not as far along in the Fire Protection Contract process as in previous years. The possibility of the Fire Territory has caused some delays. Lillian has reviewed the cost history for providing service to Benton Township, and estimates the amount needed from them in 2017 to be \$274,240.00. Bloomington Township recognizes that Benton Township does not have the ability to raise that amount. The Board discussed various options for determining a contract amount. Vic proposes that we ask for half of the estimated amount to start negotiations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REPORTS

Trustee: Lillian reminded the Board of the Public Hearing to establish the Equipment Replacement Fund for the Territory. The meeting is at 6:00 on Monday, June 20, at Station 5.

The creation of the Executive Committee for the Territory was discussed. Vic suggested the citizen representative for Bloomington Township be Geoff McKim.

Lillian reported that an invoice in the amount of \$2600.00 has been received from Umbaugh & Associates. This invoice is for the costs incurred in the Territory creation, after the removal of Benton Township. The invoice has been paid and Washington Township has agreed to reimburse Bloomington Township for half of the total.

Lillian discussed the meeting between the Heading Home Committee and Mayor Hamilton. The Mayor has expressed his desire to increase funding for deposit assistance through the Housing

and Neighborhood Development (HAND) office. He also expressed his interest in assisting with the creation of a detox center.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 14.

Vic Kelson, Secretary